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David Waddell, Executive Secretary
Tennessee Regulatory Authority
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Re: *BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc.'s Entry Into Long Distance
(InterLATA) Service in Tennessee Pursuant to Section 271 of
the Telecommunications Act of 1996*
Docket No. 97-00309

Dear Mr. Waddell:

This is to notify the Authority, pursuant to BellSouth's letter of April 1, 1997 and subsequent Authority Reports and Orders citing thereto, that BellSouth hereby gives its advance written notice of its intent to file its 271 application with the Federal Communications Commission ("FCC") under Section 271 of the Act for authority to provide interLATA services in Tennessee no sooner than 90 days from the date of this letter. BellSouth has furnished, or is filing contemporaneously with this notice, all evidence and information that BellSouth will rely upon from this docket before the FCC in support of the Section 271 Application.

Copies of this letter are being provided to counsel of record.

Very truly yours,

Guy M. Hicks

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